

Veeco Study Cites Growth Potential

Completion of an economic study of Chowan County and the Town of Edenton was announced last night by Virginia Electric and Power Company (Veeco). The study, listing 14 potential industrial sites along with community assets, will be used as a directory of current information for industrial developers and consultants interested in development of Chowan County.

The survey was presented to C. A. Phillips, chairman of the county board of commissioners, by Veeco vice president C. M. Jarvis of Williamston. The presentation took place Wednesday night during the annual membership banquet of Edenton Chamber of Commerce, held at Chowan Golf & Country Club.

Guest speaker for the evening was Dolphe C. Boynes, group vice president of U. S. Industries, located in Los Angeles, Calif. USI's Fiberform division recently purchased the Craft plant on Albemarle Sound in Chowan County for the manufacture of small boats.

In his presentation, Jarvis called



C. M. (Tom) Jarvis

Edenton and Chowan County "one of the most progressive communities in Northeastern North Carolina. And this is but a reflection of the attitude you have toward the further development of your economy as you seek to create the jobs necessary to keep your young gainfully employed in their hometown."

Jarvis said the study is another "tool for your use in your continuing program in planned and sound economic development." He said it would be especially helpful in long-range planning in Chowan — plans necessary to maintain the pleasant characteristics of the community and at the same time allow for orderly development to broaden the economic base.

The speaker praised the cooperation which exists between county and municipal government, the proper attitude which is evident, and the strong chamber and its Industrial Committee.

Also, he warned area leaders against neglecting existing industry. He said: "These are your people—and the key to attracting new industry."

Veeco's area development department

conducted the survey at the request of the county commissioners and town council at no cost to the community. Company researchers worked with the chamber's Industrial Committee in obtaining data to be included in the report.

Among the specific topics covered by the survey are the area's physical assets, manpower, market resources, government and finance, community facilities, and representative industrial sites.

Copies of the study will be distributed to officials of the county and town, Albemarle Regional Planning & Development Commission, the Industrial Committee, Norfolk Southern Railway, N. C. Division of Commerce & Industry, financial institutions, colleges, universities, and the local public and school libraries in the area.

Local members of the study committee included: W. P. (Spec) Jones, chairman; J. Gilliam Wood, W. B. Gardner, Mayor George Alma Byrum, Bruce F. Jones, Joseph Gano, R. Graham White, E. N. Manning, A. B. Harless, and Phillips.



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Fiberform Signs Purchase Agreement — Fiberform Division of U. S. Industries Tuesday executed a purchase agreement with Chris-Craft Industries, Inc., for a boat manufacturing plant on the Albemarle Sound. Robert B. Hunter, Chris-Craft secretary-treasurer, seated left, is shown with Dolphe C. Boynes, vice president and executive chairman, Western USA Group of USI. Looking on are: Mayor George Alma Byrum, and W. P. (Spec) Jones, chairman, Industrial Committee of Edenton Chamber of Commerce. Fiberform plans to begin production in the local plant by December 1.

Chowan River Hearing In Winton

A public meeting for airing complaints and comments concerning the troubled Chowan River will be held at Winton on October 5.

The meeting will be conducted by the Water & Air Quality Control Committee of the State Board of Water & Air Resources. It was scheduled at the request of H. W. (Pet-) Whitley of Murfreesboro, a committee member.

The committee will hold the meeting in the auditorium of the ESEA building in Winton, starting at 2 P. M. All interested persons are invited to attend.

A report on a special study to be made of the algae problem in the Chowan will be presented. The study will be conducted by the State Office of Water & Air Resources in cooperation with the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency.

The committee directed the study in August after hearing a preliminary report on an investigation of the algae problem. The report indicated the Chowan may be in a eutrophic or, dying condition.

The public meeting will follow a reg-

Given New Post

Jack Harris, vice president and manager of the Bank of North Carolina, N. A., Edenton Office, announces the promotion of Mrs. Patsy Tynch to bank operations officer.

Mrs. Tynch, who lives on Route 3, joined Bank of North Carolina, N. A., in January, 1967, as a teller. Prior to her present position Mrs. Tynch, the wife of Murray Tynch, Jr., was a supervisor in the bank.

A graduate of Plymouth High School, Mrs. Tynch also attended East Carolina University. Members of the Baptist church, Mr. and Mrs. Tynch are the parents of a son, Jocy, age seven.

In announcing the promotion Harris said: "We are delighted at the opportunity to further recognize the outstanding efforts and talents of Mrs. Tynch. She is an asset to the Edenton office and enjoys the respect of her fellow workers as well as her fellow citizens."

Area Commission Pushes Phone Change For Gates

Norfolk & Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Company has been asked to take steps to include all of Gates County in the Albemarle Metro system of toll free dialing. Gates County is now served by a dual system and Albemarle Area Development Association recently asked that action be taken to alleviate the problem.

In a letter to the Elizabeth City-based utility, Wesley B. Cullipher, executive director, Albemarle Regional Planning & Development Commission, pointed out that a portion of the county is in Albe-

marle Metro of N&CT&T, and a portion, including the county seat of Gatesville is in the Carolina Telephone and Telegraph system.

"This type of system creates constant confusion in making calls to the county from citizens outside the county," Cullipher wrote L. S. Blades, III, vice president and general counsel for N&CT&T. Also, Cullipher said the present system creates the type of situation where all citizens of the county are not treated in the same manner. "This is to say that from the Gatesville area, north, the same privilege is not afforded the toll free service as those east of Gatesville."

Acting on a resolution from AADA, Cullipher told Blades that ARPDC is soliciting the firm's "consideration in the matter of including all of Gates County in the Albemarle Area System. We are genuinely interested in this situation as we feel that a definite economic impact is indicated on the area, not to mention the convenience it would afford all of the citizens of Gates County."

L. F. Amburn, Jr., of Edenton, AADA president, said Gates County is an integral part of the 10-county Albemarle Area and every effort is being made to provide all area services on an equal basis to the citizens of the county.

He pointed out that calling portions of Gates County from Edenton is toll free and other subscribers can only be reached toll free from Chowan County residents in the Welch exchange, north of Edenton.

Norfolk & Carolina now has three separate toll-free calling areas. They are:

Albemarle Metro including the ex-
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New Doors Open

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Rep. Walter B. Jones of the First Congressional District, today announced that Chowan County has been designated as a Redevelopment Area by the U. S. Department of Commerce.

Earlier, EDA had designated Camden, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hyde and Tyrrell counties as redevelopment areas because of high unemployment and low family income.

Rep. Jones said there are multiple benefits which go with such designation, including an increase of by 10 per cent in government participation in certain grants. Prior to the designation, Chowan was eligible for a maximum of 50 per cent in grants through the Economic Development Administration.

The congressman also said the Northeastern North Carolina county would also now be eligible for participation in certain additional grant programs.

Notice of the designation came from Joseph Hamrick, deputy assistant secretary for planning, U. S. Department of Commerce.

Craftsmen 'Doing Their Thing' At Annual Area Fair

Those who enjoy watching gifted craftsmen at work will have their chance at the Albemarle Craftsman's Fair, Elizabeth City, Thursday through Saturday.

More than 50 craftsmen and artists from the Albemarle counties will dem-

onstrate crafts ranging from pottery, decoupage and Swedish weaving to hand painting of china and lamps, candle-making and macrame.

Craftsmen will work in their booths at the National Guard Armory event each weekday from noon to 9 P. M.,

and on Saturday from noon to 6 P. M. As an added bonus, the teen set, 19 years and younger, will be displaying their craft skills in a special youth section.

Another attraction at the fair will be garments worn by participants. Demonstrators and hostesses will wear colonial costumes.

"Craftsmen in the Albemarle area stress quality workmanship," Mrs. Paige Underwood, extension home economics agent, Perquimans County, observes, "so only high quality work will be exhibited."

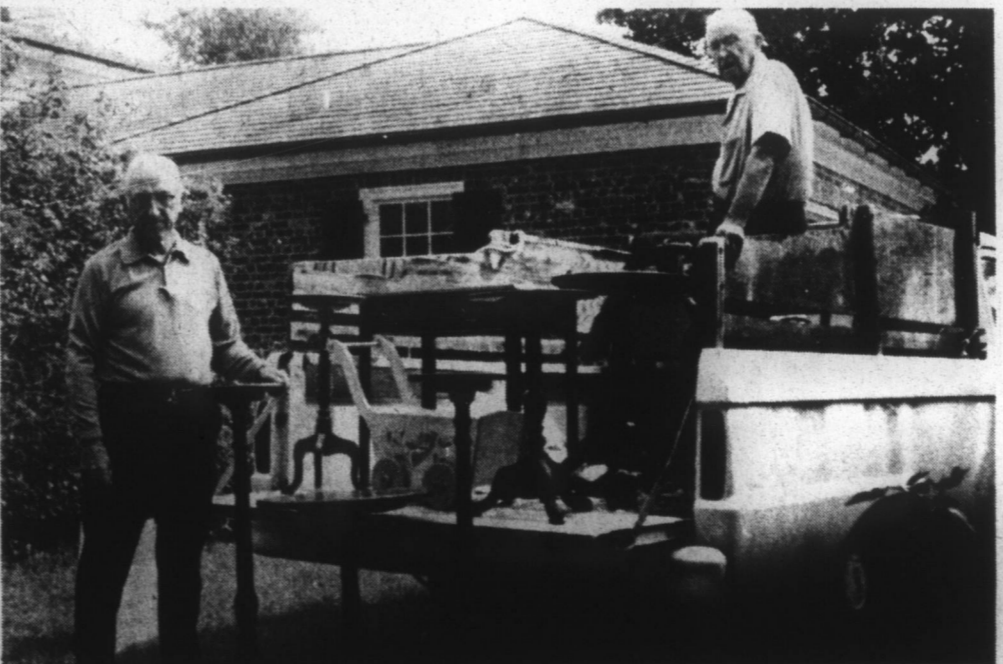
From these crafts, started as hobbies, many persons have developed small businesses and thus increased the economic standards of the families as well as the area, Mrs. Underwood added.

The annual fair is sponsored by the Albemarle Craftsmen's Guild, Extension Homemakers Clubs in the Albemarle area and the Elizabeth City Chamber of Commerce.

Banquet Planned

The annual Law Enforcement Appreciation Banquet, sponsored by Edward G. Bond Post No. 40, American Legion, will be held October 24, it was announced today.

Bus Wozelka, post commander, said Doc Murphy of Roanoke Rapids, a court solicitor, will be principal speaker. Tickets for the event will go on sale in the near future.



Going To Crafts Fair—Two Edenton craftsmen will share a booth at the 14th annual Albemarle Craftsman's Fair at Elizabeth City National Guard Armory this week. Shown loading some of their "authentic reproductions of museum antiques" are Bill Michael and Dr. Fred Drane, in truck.

Public Parade

More On Vaughan Center

The proposed Vaughan Respiratory Care Center at Chowan Hospital continues to enjoy support from individuals, organizations and businesses. This widespread memorial giving is characteristic of the awe in which Dr. Roland H. Vaughan was held by those who mander along the Public Parade.

Started less than a month ago, the memorial has resulted in a total of \$4,135 as of Monday.

The Peoples Foundation of Peoples Bank & Trust Company has contributed \$100. Dr. Vaughan was a veteran member of the local board of managers at the time of his death.

The Belk Foundation has also contributed \$500 toward the center, which will be unique in a hospital the size of the local institution.

This center, once sufficient funds have been donated to insure the purchase of adequate equipment, will provide outpatient care, as well as acute and chronic respiratory patient care. Now those in the area with respiratory difficulties must be sent to Norfolk or Wilson for treatment.

Also, the center will be available to patients from surrounding counties, as it will be the only one in the Albemarle Area.

Such a facility befits the man for whom it was named. We are quite confident there are other individuals, organizations and businesses who desire to be a part of establishing the Vaughan Respiratory Care Center at Chowan Hospital. It is not too late.

Singing On Key

Politicians throughout Tar Heelia are waxing eloquent these days as they search for voters in various quarters. An almost untouched bloc was recently courted by Hargrove (Skipper) Bowles, the Democratic nominee for governor, and his counterpart for insurance commissioner, Rep. John Ingram.

At a Wilson speech, Mr. Bowles called rescue squad volunteers the "unseen guardian" of North Carolina and said: "Just imagine what would happen in this state if all the rescue squads and volunteer firemen disappeared. There would be absolute chaos, absolute ruin."

And a few days later, Rep. Ingram gave his "total support" to the men of this state's fire and rescue service.

These are men who, if elected, can change the attitude in state government toward thousands of volunteers to work with fire and rescue units. For those along the Public Parade and elsewhere in North Carolina, their expression of concern and pledge of full support is welcomed news.

Mr. Bowles said the fact that busy men volunteer for this work makes it even more amazing. "The state simply couldn't find the money to do the job you are doing, in emergency work, in firefighting, in public service."

"Yet, you and I know that your work often goes completely unnoticed. There is no central place in state government where the needs of rescue squads are recognized. You are regulated by two or three departments which only do a slapdash job."

Mr. Bowles will be relieved to know that these volunteers don't expect pay or fancy plaques for their work. They do expect, however, equal training resources along with decent, safe equipment.

Too, they need to have the office of Fire Marshal reinstated so emergency services will have a strong voice in state government. And it is not asking too much for these emergency services to be given some Law and Order type aid.

Gov. Bob Scott made his timely Law and Order speech down in Dunn and it was credited with putting him out of reach of his opponent. The utterances of Mr. Bowles and Rep. Ingram could very well give their campaigns the added thrust to do the same thing for them.

To those of us who have championed the cause of these dedicated volunteers, these two Democratic candidates are singing the high notes right on key.

Some Grants Questionable

Grants to maintain the staffs and essential activities of special school desegregation programs of school districts and community groups in eight southern states have been made in the amount of \$11,373,370. Five school systems in the Albemarle Area received a total of \$109,247.

Since Edenton-Chowan Schools was not among those systems funded, it is proper not only to ask "why" but "how" well are our "staffs and essential activities" being maintained. There are probably two or three explanations why the local schools did not share in the \$2,444,666 pie cut for Tar Heelia.

First, the specifications could have been written in a manner so the local

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